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Sir:		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11-20, 22, and 23, amend claim 6, and add new claims 24-30 as follows:

6. (Amended) A method for adjusting an optical system of an energy beam apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

preparing the mark, wherein:

the mark signals include a first mark signal and a second mark signal; detecting the mark signals includes:

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